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Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Office of Conservation P. O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: Camerina 2 Zone, Reservoir A

North Leroy Field Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Alpine Resources, Inc., for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Camerina 2 Zone, Reservoir A, in the North Leroy Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, to-wit:

- 1. To redefine the Camerina 2 Sand, Reservoir A, in the North Leroy Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 12,652' and 12,752' (electrical log measurements) in the Alpine Resources, Inc. (formerly Westland Oil Development Corporation) Louise B. Picard Well No. 1, located in the North Leroy Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.
- 2. Simultaneously with the redefinition thereof, to reclassify the Camerina 2 Sand, Reservoir A, in the North Leroy Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, as

the Camerina 2 Zone, Reservoir A, in the North Leroy Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

- 3. Simultaneously with the redefinition and reclassification thereof, to dissolve the single drilling and production unit created for the Camerina 2 Sand, Reservoir A, by Order No. 398-F, effective January 6, 1981, and, simultaneously therewith, to create a single drilling and production unit for the Camerina 2 Zone, Reservoir A, to be designated the CAM 2 Zone RA SUA, as shown on the attached plat.
- 4. To designate Alpine Resources, Inc. as the unit operator for the proposed CAM 2 Zone RA SUA.
- 5. To designate the Alpine Resources, Inc. Louise B. Picard Well No. 1 as the unit well for the proposed CAM 2 Zone RA SUA.
- 6. To designate the Alpine Resources, Inc. Phillip LeBlanc Well No. 1 as the alternate unit well for the proposed CAM 2 Zone RA SUA.
- 7. To authorize the unit operator, in its sole discretion, to produce the unit allowable for the CAM 2 Zone RA SUA, in the North Leroy Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, from the unit well and/or from the alternate unit well.
- 8. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit, with each tract sharing in the unit production on a surface acre basis of participation.
- 9. To extend to the proposed CAM 2 Zone RA SUA all pertinent provisions of the 398 series of orders and applicable Statewide Orders.
- 10. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the Camerina 2 Zone, Reservoir A, in the North Leroy Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

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The Camerina 2 Sand, Reservoir A, in the NORTH LEROY FIELD, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, was previously defined in Order No. 398-F, effective January 6, 1981.

All pertinent data relating to the above proposal may be obtained, <u>AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY</u>, from Doffie Ross, Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., Consulting Geologist, 2626 North Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216, Phone No.: (504) 834-8112.

The pre-hearing conference was held as scheduled on December 11, 2003, in Lafayette, Louisiana. A list of those parties in attendance is attached to this application. The meeting was opened by John Andrew Durrett on behalf of the Applicant. The basis of Alpine's proposal was presented by Mr. Doffie Ross. The proposed revision to the adopted Northern boundary of the existing CAM 2 RA SU A and the proposed redefinition of the Camerina 2 Sand to the Camerina 2 Zone were explained in detail. Mr. Ross also expressed Alpine's contention that the existing Eastern, Western and Southern boundaries of the Camerina 2 Sand, as per Office of Conservation Order No. 398-F, should not be changed due to the proposed expansion of the Camerina 2 Sand definition. David Sturlese, on behalf of the Ferdinand Reaux Estate, presented a counterplan which added approximately 30 acres to that of the Applicant's proposal by virtue of his geological interpretation of the reservoir limits on the sand proposed to be added to the Camerina 2 definition. Questions were asked and answered by the representatives of both parties presenting proposals at the conference. Mr. Bill Robbins, representing Foster Brown, stated that he did not believe any acreage should be added on the South boundary of the existing unit based on the sand to be added to the existing Camerina 2 definition. Mr. Robbins indicated that, should the Reaux counterplan be filed, he, in all likelihood, would be inclined to file a counterplan in opposition to Alpine's proposed redefinition of the existing Camerina 2 Sand definition. The meeting was adjourned with all parties reserving their rights. It appears that opposition to the Application plan is likely.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the proposed CAM 2 Zone RA SU A. Also enclosed herewith to the Commissioner of Conservation and District Manager is a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this notice is being sent; however, a copy of this list will be provided to any party upon request. A reasonable effort has been made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice which issues in respect of this application, and of the enclosed plat, at a prominent place in the area affected, and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of the North Leroy Field, all in accordance with the

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Revised Rules of Procedure. Additionally, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner of Conservation.

In addition, enclosed herewith is our check payable to the Office of Conservation in the amount of \$755.00, in payment of the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

OTTINGER HEBERT, L.L.C.

Patrick S. Ottinger

PSO/sd Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson, District Manager

Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

